Article 64A — Merit System Section 37(a) Annotated Code of Maryland (1972 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 37(a) of Article 64A — Merit System, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1972 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

## Article 64A - Merit System

37.

(a) From and after January 1, 1972, every classified employee shall receive as annual vacation in each calendar year, a leave of absence with pay as follows:

Less than 5 years of service-10 working days

- 5 to less than 10 years of service—15 working days
- 10 to less than 20 years of service—20 working days

20 years of service and more—25 working days, provided, however, that every classified State employee on January 1, 1957, who as of that date shall have less than five [(5)] years of service shall be entitled to receive, as vacation in each calendar year until his period of service reaches 20 years, a leave of absence with pay of [(15)] 15 working days. The term "years of service," as used herein shall include any previous continuous State service.

Any employee using less than full vacation allowable beginning January 1, 1942, shall be entitled to have such unused leave accumulated up to [thirty] 35 working days, which shall be available to such employee for vacation leave at any time, with the approval of the head of the department. In addition to annual vacation leave, any employee is entitled to sick leave with pay for not in excess of 30 working days in any calendar year, and from and after January 1, 1975, in addition to such annual vacation leave, any employee shall be entitled to sick leave with pay for not in excess of [fifteen] 15 working days in any calendar year; provided, however, that if any employee in any calendar year uses less than the full amount of sick leave allowable, such unused leave shall be accumulated and shall be available to such employee for sick leave at any time. Nothing in this section may cause an employee to lose any sick leave accumulated as of December 31, 1974. Any employee using three or more consecutive working days sick leave in any [thirty-day1 30 day period shall present a certificate